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Growing up in Washington, D.C., my neighborhood consisted of rows of sturdy brick homes—iconic row houses with beautiful wood trim, elegant staircases, and charming character. While the structures were strong, many of the interiors told a different story.

The walls, made of old plaster and coated with lead-based paint, became toxic environments. Though the homes looked beautiful on the outside, what was inside led to sickness—and in some tragic cases, even death.

Families couldn't afford to fix what was broken. Over time, these homes became unlivable. But eventually, something beautiful happened. People moved back in, committed to doing the hard work of restoration. These homes were gutted—renovated from the inside out. Dangerous walls were replaced. New life filled old spaces. The structure remained, but the interior was transformed.

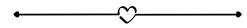
That's what Romans 12:2 invites us to do with our minds. The word "renewing" in this verse literally means to **renovate**. Many of us are standing strong on the outside but battling toxic beliefs on the inside—ways of thinking shaped by trauma, fear, culture, religion, or rejection. These internal walls may be familiar, but they are **not safe**.

God is not in the business of cover-ups. He's in the business of full renovation.

To walk in freedom, we must invite Him to gut the old—unbelief, shame, fear, people-pleasing, comparison—and replace it with **Kingdom identity**, **truth**, **and peace**. You can't just paint over what's broken. You've got to **tear it out** and let the Word rebuild it.

This is how real transformation begins—when we let God do the heart work of **renovating the mind.** 

# Mind – Day 2 Renovated Thinking Soul Work



### **Anchor Scripture:**

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## Prayer

Father, I invite You into the blueprint of my mind. Tear down every toxic pattern and rebuild me with truth. I don't want to conform to the world's way of thinking—I want to be transformed. Gut every lie, every fear, and every belief that doesn't align with You. Renovate my mind and make it a dwelling place for Your wisdom and peace. In Jesus' name, amen.

### **Coaching Questions**

- 1. What "walls" in your thinking are no longer safe or aligned with truth?
- 2. Have you been painting over pain instead of inviting God to renovate it?
- 3. What does renovation look like for you in this season?

## **Journal Prompt**

- Imagine your mind as a house.
- What needs to be torn down?
- What needs to be replaced?
- What "materials" from God's Word will you rebuild with?

### Write this declaration

"I am being renovated from the inside out—no more cover-ups, only transformation."

### **Deeper Study Scriptures**

Romans 12:2 – Be transformed by the renewing (renovating) of your mind

**Ephesians 4:22–24** – Put off the old self and be made new in your thinking

Psalm 51:10 – Create in me a clean heart, renew a right spirit within me Isaiah 43:18–19 – God is doing a new thing—do you not perceive it?

2 Corinthians 5:17 – If anyone is in Christ, they are a new creation